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PARTY AND KOMSOMOL PROGRESS REPORTED

RIGA COMMITTEE HOLDS PLENUM -- Sovetskaya Latvija, No 77, 2 Apr 49

The Second Plenum of the Riga City Committee KP(b) Latvia was held on 31 March. The main report, presented by Novikov, secretary of the Riga City Party Committee, was concerned with the economic development of the city's industry. Desmitniyek, secretary, Stalinskiy Rayon Party Committee; Giful', secretary, primary Party organization, Riga Railroad Car Building Plant; Dodnikin, Vice-Minister of Light Industry Latvian SSR; Zosimov, secretary Riga City Party Committee; Rudenko, chief engineer, Riga Pipe and Machinery Plant; Katetskaya, secretary, Scientific and Technical Society of Machine Builders; Ponomarev, deputy-chairman, Soviet of Ministers Latvian SSR; Bunin, Yeremeyev, chief technologist, "VEF" Plant; Nikitin, secretary, primary Party organization, Riga "Rekord" Shoe Factory; and Sofel', director, "Sarkana Zvaygzne" Bicycle Plant all spoke at the plenum on economic problems.

The plenum elected Sokolov, secretary of the Riga City Committee, and Rogov as members of the bureau of the Kirovskiy Rayon (city of Riga) Committee of the KP(b) Latvia; and Pupur as deputy chairman of the Executive Committee of the Riga City Soviet of Workers' Deputies. The plenum also confirmed the appointments of chiefs of sections of the Riga City Party Committee.

PARTY CONFERENCE DISCUSSES UKRAINE KOLKHOZES -- Pravda Ukrainy, No 77, 2 Apr 49

The 2-day conference of Party workers of the western oblasts of the Ukrainian SSR has ended. The conference was called by the TsK KP(b) Ukraine to consider problems of mass political work among kolkhoz workers and individual peasants of the western and Transcarpathian oblasts of the Ukrainian SSR. Among those who participated in the conference were secretaries of oblast and rayon Party committees, chiefs of propaganda and agitation sections of Party committees, editors of oblast newspapers, chiefs of sections for work among women of Party committees, and secretaries of kolkhoz primary Party organizations. The conference was opened by N. S. Khrushchev, secretary of the TsK KP(b) Ukraine.

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I. D. Nazarenko, secretary of the TdF LP(b) Ukraine, reported on "Problems of Mass Political Work Among Kolkhoz Workers and Peasants of the Western and Transcarpathian Oblasts of the Ukraine in the Drive for Organizational and Economic Strengthening of Kolkhozes and the Further Development of Collectivization." Party organizations have made considerable progress in the socialist reconstruction in the western oblasts of the republic. Their success is indicated by the fact that 91 percent of peasant holdings in Droghobych Oblast, 87 in Volyn Oblast, 84 in Chernovtsy Oblast, and 58 in Transcarpathian Oblast have already been combined into kolkhozes. Collectivization is also progressing in other oblasts. Nazarenko pointed out serious defects in the work of some Party organizations in the western oblasts. Political work is not progressing satisfactorily in some rayons of Stanislaw Oblast. The rural intelligentsia has not been recruited for political work and rural conferences for mass political work among peasants are rarely held. Nazarenko cited the example of the Party organization in Medenitskiy Rayon, Droghobych Oblast, where 24 of the 107 Communists are working directly on the kolkhozes, Komsomol organizations have been created in every village, and where mass political work is undertaken on a wide scale by almost all Communists, Komsomols, kolkhoz administrators, teachers, medical workers, and agronomists. Nazarenko appealed to all Party organizations to improve and extend political agitation work on the kolkhozes and increase their control over kolkhoz activity.

Twenty-six delegates entered the discussion following the report, telling of the progress of Party work among kolkhozes and peasants in their areas: Among them were: I. B. Demetskiy, secretary, Lyubeshanskiy Rayon Party Committee, Volyn Oblast; A. V. Polupan, chief, propaganda and agitation section, Kitmanskiy Rayon Party Committee, Chernovtsy Oblast; I. V. Gazly, secretary, primary Party organization, village of Velikiye Luchki; V. T. Kononenko, secretary, Pochayevskiy Rayon Party Committee, Ternopol' Oblast; D. P. Popovich, secretary, Beregovskiy Okrug Party Committee, Transcarpathian Oblast;

I. T. Prokopov, secretary, Medenitskiy Rayon Party Committee, Droghobych Oblast; A. G. Kozenyuk, chief, propaganda and agitation section, Ostrozhskiy Rayon Party Committee, Rovno Oblast; M. P. Dzyubanchuk, chief, section for work among women, Zoloto-Potokskiy Rayon Party Committee, Ternopol' Oblast; O. I. Khodaka, secretary, Uzhgorodskiy Okrug Committee, Transcarpathian Oblast; M. K. Strashuk, secretary, Rokitsnovskiy Rayon Party Committee, Rovno Oblast; L. M. Misurenko, secretary, Zastavnovskiy Rayon Party Committee, Chernovtsy Oblast;

N. M. Kogochev, chief, propaganda and agitation section, Dublyanskiy Rayon Party Committee, Droghobych Oblast; S. P. Lenisenko, secretary, Lokachinskiy Rayon Party Committee, Volyn Oblast; F. A. Zharinskiy, secretary, Vinnikovskiy Rayon Party Committee, L'vov Oblast; Chernouskiy, secretary, Lukovskiy Rayon Party Committee, Volyn Oblast; Sedler, secretary, Lisetskiy Rayon Party Committee, Stanislaw Oblast;

Ostapenko, secretary, Lopatinskiy Rayon Party Committee, L'vov Oblast, Chernysh, secretary, Kutskiy Rayon Party Committee, Stanislaw Oblast; Dobrovolskiy, secretary, Novo-Milyatinskiy Rayon Party Committee, L'vov Oblast; Sidorenko, responsible editor of the newspaper *Radyans'kiy sel'yanin*; Mirchynichenko, secretary, Party organization of "Parizhskaia Kommuna" Kolkhoz, Droghobych Oblast.

LITHUANIAN PARTY WORK CRITICIZED -- Sovetskaya Litva, No 79, 5 Apr 49

Akhudinova, head of the propaganda and agitation section of the Raseynay Uyezd Committee of the KP(b) Lithuania, reported on the progress of Party instruction in that district. In this uyezd, an evening Party school, 12 political schools on basic Party organization, and numerous other study groups have been established. However, serious deficiencies in Party indoctrination were noted. The activities of study groups are often disrupted. The uyezd committee

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does not control and consult with study groups. Political schools engaged in studying primary Party organization meet irregularly and are conducted on a low political and ideological level. The propagandists directing the schools do not render any aid.

LENNINGRAD CITY COMMITTEE ELECTS OFFICERS -- Leningradskaya Pravda, No 79, 5 Apr 49

An alternate plenum of the Leningrad City Committee of the VKP(b) was held on 4 April. N. A. Nikolayev was elected second secretary of the City Committee and V. P. Shcherbakov was elected secretary of the City Committee and appointed a member of the Bureau of the City Committee.

MAGADAN PIONEERS GET KOMSOMOL AWARD -- Moloday Dal'nevostok, No 36, 3 Mar 49

The Magadan City Pioneer Organization was awarded the Red Banner of the TsK VLSM at a pioneer session on 1 March.

KOMSOMOL MEMBERSHIP LAGS IN CHITA OBLAST -- Zabaykal'skiy Rabochiy, No 50, 13 Mar 49

More than 5,000 youths were admitted to Komsomol organizations in Chita Oblast within the last 6 months, but there are many organizations throughout the oblast which have done nothing to increase their membership. Nearly 900 primary Komsomol organizations admitted no members in the last 6 months of 1948. The greater part of the rural Komsomol organizations have few members and there are still some kolkhozes without a Komsomol group. There are fewer Komsomol members in Chita City Komsomol organizations than in the city Party organization. Olovyaninskiy Rayon organizations have almost completely ceased admission of new members. Komsomol work among rural youth and students of technical, PZO and trade schools has been particularly ineffective.

MOSCOW KOMSOMOL MEMBERSHIP CITED -- Vechernyaya Moskva, No 74, 29 Mar 49

There are at present more than 487,000 Komsomols in Moscow and Moscow Oblast. There are 11,000 Komsomol political study groups and political schools at which 180,000 persons study.

About 3,000 Komsomol workers are studying at universities of Marxism-Leninism, 1,500 persons are studying in night schools and correspondence courses, and more than 30,000 are studying the history of the Party independently.

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